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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR PGOV WB GW GE
SUBJECT: GDR STATEMENT ON ACCEDING TO THE CONVENTION
RELATING TO THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES
CONCERNING COLLISIONS IN INLAND NAVIGATION

REFS: (A) USBER 2827 (1976); (B) USBER 2495 (1976);
(C) BONN 19198 (1976)

SUMMARY: BONN GROUP HAS REACHED AD REF AGREEMENT ON
REPLY TO GDR STATEMENT MADE UPON ACCESSION TO CONVENTION.
REQUEST APPROVAL OF TEXT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR USUN TO
JOIN RESPONSE. END SUMMARY.

1. WORKING FROM THE TEXT PREPARED BY ALLIED MISSIONS IN
BERLIN (REF A), BONN GROUP REACHED AD REF AGREEMENT IN
JANUARY 5 MEETING ON AN ALLIED REPLY TO THE GDR
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STATEMENT MADE AT TIME OF GDR ACCESSION TO CONVENTION
ON COLLISIONS IN INLAND SHIPPING (REF C).

2. BEGIN TEXT:

A. THE DELEGATIONS OF FRANCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM
AND THE UNITED STATES REFER TO THE NOTE OF THE GERMAN

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (FULL REFERENCE TO BE SUPPLIED BY
UN MISSIONS) AND WISH TO POINT OUT THE FOLLOWING:

B. THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC IS NOT A PARTY
TO THE WARTIME AND POSTWAR FOUR POWER AGREEMENTS NOR TO
THE QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT WHICH WAS CONCLUDED IN
BERLIN ON 3 SEPTEMBER 1971 BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE
FRENCH REPUBLIC, THE UNION OF SOVIET
SOCIALIST REPUBLICS, THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN
AND NORTHERN IRELAND, AND THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA. THE GDR IS NOT, THEREFORE, COMPETENT TO
COMMENT AUTHORITATIVELY ON THOSE AGREEMENTS.

C. WHEN AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THIS
CONVENTION TO THE WESTERN SECTORS OF
BERLIN, THE AUTHORITIES OF THE THREE POWERS, ACTING IN
THE EXERCISE OF THEIR SUPREME AUTHORITY, ENSURED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES THAT THIS
CONVENTION IS APPLIED IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN
IN SUCH A WAY AS NOT TO AFFECT MATTERS OF SECURITY AND
STATUS. ACCORDINGLY, THE APPLICATION OF THIS
CONVENTION TO THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN CONTINUES
IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

D. THE CLAIM OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
THAT IT IS COMPETENT FOR THE WATERWAYS IN THE WESTERN
SECTORS OF BERLIN IS WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

E. THE GOVERNMENTS OF FRANCE, THE UNITED KINGDOM
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AND THE UNITED STATES DO NOT CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO

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RESPOND TO ANY FURTHER COMMUNICATIONS OF A SIMILAR NATURE BY STATES WHICH ARE NOT SIGNATORIES TO THE QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT OR PARTIES TO THE OTHER RELEVANT FOUR POWER AGREEMENTS. THIS SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN TO IMPLY ANY CHANGE IN THE POSITION OF THOSE GOVERNMENTS IN THIS MATTER.

F. COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE TO BE SUPPLIED BY UN MISSIONS. END TEXT

3. BONN GROUP ASSUMES THAT ALLIED UN MISSIONS WOULD COORDINATE REPLY TO GDR STATEMENT, WHICH WAS ADDRESSED TO THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL IN HIS CAPACITY AS DEPOSITORY FOR THE CONVENTION. HOWEVER, AS USBER NOTED (REF B), WE ARE UNCERTAIN AS TO WHETHER ALL THREE ALLIES ARE CONFIDENTIAL

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IN FACT PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION. WE ASSUME THAT ALLIED POWER WHICH IS A PARTY COULD RESPOND ON BEHALF OF ALL THREE, MODIFYING PARA A OF THE NOTE AS APPROPRIATE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT APPROVE TEXT IN PARA 2 AND AUTHORIZE USUN TO JOIN IN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE.
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